# PRICE RIVER WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT May 3, 2022

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Price River Water Improvement District was held on Tuesday, May 3, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the District's Service Center located at 265 South Fairgrounds Road, Price, Utah.

PRESENT

**EXCUSED** 

Keith Cox

Jeff Richens

Scott Jensen

Gary Harwood

Micha Marrelli

Rick Davis

Shelly Bird

Barney Zauss

Chairman Cox welcomed everyone to board meeting and noted that all members were present except Scott Jensen who was excused.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Harwood led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

# POSSIBLE CONFLICT WITH AGENDA ITEMS

There were no conflicts with Agenda Items

#### **MINUTES**

Chairman Cox asked for input to the minutes of the April 19, 2022 Board Meeting. As there were no corrections or additions, Zauss moved to approve the minutes from the April 19, 2022 meeting. Harwood seconded and the motion carried unanimously. AYE: Cox, Davis, Harwood, Zauss.

#### DEPARTMENT REPORTS BY BOARD

Gary reported that sampling is continuing for the Covid study. Vancon is continuing their work daily. Staff is working with Vancon to have things ready for construction. Vancon is bypassing the primary pumps and replacing sludge piping. The 2-water pumps were replaced in the digester and the lift station was de-ragged. The crew tested sand blasting the walls of the solids contact basin and found that the equipment they have is inadequate. Started seasonal landscaping and lawn mowing. 197 lab tests were performed.

Barney reported the Vactor is leaking but Jeff informed him they have use flex seal tape and it has helped the leaking. Per Richens it will be several months before they can get new tanks but that all 3 tanks should be covered under warranty. Maintenance on buildings and grounds has been on going.

Rick reported the district is occasionally receiving water from Price City. Manual operation is still necessary on the east pre-sedimentation basin. The sampling line plug has not been found yet from the sand trap to the plant. The septic tank and drain field are being checked for proper operation.

# MANAGER'S REPORT

Richens reported the Nutrient Project at the WWP originally called for an effluent flow meter to be reinstalled with the old wiring to be used. As the old wiring isn't adequate, there is a change order for \$20,000 from Vancon and the electrical subcontractor. The district denied the change order as too high and the district crews will install the new wiring. Construction season has begun and the district has several different contractors working on several projects. Jeff has been working with Miles Nelson from Price City regarding the Sewer Facilities Agreement. Jeff presented the District's ideas for the agreement and suggested the Board study it and add anything they think is necessary. Price City will review and then the City's attorney will make it a legal document. August 1, 2022 is the deadline for agreement to be completed. Helper city has a new Public Works Director. Gary Harwood is retiring and Mike Mastin will be the new director.

# **EMPLOYEE CHANGE OF STATUS**

The packet contains a letter from Troy, the Superintendent of the Water Plant. He is proposing that Scotty Burns be moved to full time status and be given the usual wage increase. Scotty is working out well and everyone is very pleased with him. Harwood motioned to move Scotty Burns to full time status. Zauss seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. AYE: Cox, Davis, Harwood, Zauss.

## REQUEST TO SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

Tony Mower, Fleet Maintenance Supervisor, has requested the Board authorize the advertisement and sale on publicsurplus.com for the 1983 Topkick dump truck and also an outdated computer. Davis moved to approve the surplus of the equipment and advertise. Zauss seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. AYE: Cox, Davis, Harwood, Zauss

## **FINANCIAL ISSUES**

- A. Approve chain link fence advertisement:
  - The district would like to advertise and accept sealed bids for the East Property Commercial Fence. This project has been included in the budget. Harwood motioned to advertise for the new fence. Davis seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. AYE: Cox, Davis, Harwood, Zauss
- B. Approve Nutrient project pay application #6:
  There have been a few corrections but the amount is still \$244,394.19 for the pay application. The engineers are recommending the Board authorize the payment which will bring the retainage to \$68,473.29. Zauss motioned to pay \$244,394.19. Harwood seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. AYE: Cox, Davis, Harwood, Zauss.
- C. Approve WWTP basin sand blast and coat costs:The district has had two basins they have not had in service for more than 20 years.With the new nutrient treatment plan they will now be needed. The Board packet

contained bid information from Blaine to repair the basins. Blaine is recommending the Sherman Williams Dura-Plate 6000 for \$9,945.00 and hire Kory Moosman for \$3,300 to do the sand blasting. Zauss motioned to approve the bid. Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. AYE: Cox, Davis, Harwood, Zauss.

# **CLOSED SESSION**

There were no items for a closed session.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Micha presented and explained the quarterly financial report that she handed out to the Board. Zauss thanked the district for the new shirts given to Board Members.

With no further business, Harwood moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:41 p.m. Zauss seconded the motion. Motion carried. AYE: Cox, Davis, Harwood, Zauss.

Keith Cox, Chairman

Jaci Adams, Clerk